1	2	3	4	5	6
2007	RTPE	307	36	59	284
01.01.2007	UTPE	583	206	129	660
to	MTPE	5	0	2	3
31.12.2007	CA	1110	100	83	1127
2008	RTPE	284	53	44	293
01.01.2008	UTPE	660	190	137	713
to	MTPE				3407
30.11.2008	CA	1127	194	177	1144

*RTPE : Restrictive Trade Practices Enquiries

*UTPE : Unfair Trade Practices Enquiries

*MTPE : Monopolistic Trade Practices Enquiries

*CA : Compensation Application

Protected monuments

1585. DR. (SHRIMATI) NAJMA A. HEPTULLA:

SHRI MAHENDRA MOHAN:

Will the Minister of CULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) what criteria has been adopted by Government to declare any monument as protected monument;

(b) whether Government is aware that so many monuments have been demolished by the private builders in the recent past and new buildings have been constructed over them;

(c) if so, how many such monuments have been fallen prey to private builders and what action has been taken by Government in this regard;

(d) whether Government is aware that tombs to Zauk and Ghalib are not being maintained properly; and

(e) if so, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF CULTURE (SHRIMATI AMBIKA SONI): (a) Under Section 4 of the Ancient Monuments and Archaeological Sites and Remains Act, 1958, monuments which are of historical, archaeological or artistic interest and which have been in existence for not less than 100 years can be declared as monuments of national importance. The Archaeological Survey of India looks after the maintenance, conservation and preservation of centrally protected monuments in accordance with accepted archaeological and conservation norms.

(b) and (c) No such instance has been reported in the recent past in respect of centrally protected monuments.

(d) and (e) The tomb of Ghalib and mazar of Sheikh Ibrahim Zauq are centrally protected monuments and are in a state of good repair.

Demolition of historical monuments by private builder

1586. SHRI MAHENDRA MOHAN: Will the Minister of CULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government is aware that 800 year old historical monument known as Lal Mahal or Red Palace has been demolished by a private builder in Delhi;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether Government has taken any action in this regard;

(d) if not, the reasons therefor;

(e) whether it is a fact that still there are around seventy thousand buildings and monuments which are not in the list of protected monuments; and

(f) if so, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF CULTURE (SHRIMATI AMBIKA SONI): (a) to (d) Lal Mahal located in the west of Nizamuddin, New Delhi, is a 13th century monument. It is not declared as a monument of national importance. In October, 2008, unauthorized activity was noticed and a report was immediately lodged by the Archaeological Survey of India with the local police. A show cause notice was also issued to the offenders under the Ancient Monuments and Archaeological Sites and Remains Act, 1958 and Rules, 1959. The Delhi Government has also been requested to direct the concerned agencies to take necessary steps to prevent damage to the heritage structure.

(e) and (f) It is not possible to indicate the accurate number of unprotected monuments/sites. The Government has set up a National Mission for Monuments and Antiquities to create a national database of monuments.

Unproctected heritage sites

1587. SHRI N. BALAGANGA: Will the Minister of CULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government is aware that many of the monuments and heritage sites remain unprotected for the past many years;

(b) if so, the details thereof, State-wise;

(c) whether Government have any proposal to set up National Heritage Sites Commission to look into the issue;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) by when it would be set up?

THE MINISTER OF CULTURE (SHRIMATI AMBIKA SONI): (a) and (b) It is not possible at present to give accurate details of unprotected monuments/sites. The Government has set up a National Mission on Monuments and Antiquities to create a national database for all monuments/sites.

(c) to (e) The National Heritage Sites Commission Bill is under consideration of the Government.

Misuse of protected sites

1588. SHRI GIREESH KUMAR SANGHI:

SHRI VIJAY JAWAHARLAL DARDA:

Will the Minister of CULTURE be pleased to state: